Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—If no remission was given, it means probably that the supply was adequate. It is only when the crop raised is less than 4 annas that we can say that the tank has not received full supply.

Mr. D. SIVASANKARIAH.—What is the agency for ascertaining and recording figures regarding the crop realised?

Mr. B T. KESAVAIENGAR.—The Amildar inspects the tanks in November every year and sends up his report, and the Sub-Division Officer verifies whether the report represents the facts correctly or not.

Yajaman N. Y. VEERABHADRACHAR.—Even when the tank receives full supply, full crop cannot be raised on all the lands forming the *atchkat*. There are any number of cases like that, particularly at the tail-end of the *atchkat*. What is the relief given in such cases?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—Even in such cases, remedy has been provided for. But the subject here relates only to one specific case, *viz.*, Kodihalli tank.

Mr. T. SHADAKSHARAPPA.—Subsequent to 1930–31, full crop has not been raised but full assessment is being collected. In such cases, will any portion of the amount collected be refunded?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—We shall make enquiries if there are any such cases and consider if refunds are called for in any of them according to rules.

Mr. D. SIVASANKARIAH.—Has the feeder channel been repaired?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—The report of the Chief Engineer says that in 1925 the feeder channel of the Kodihalli tank was thoroughly repaired and that if only the monsoons prove good, the tank will receive full supply.

Mr. D. SIVASANKARIAH.—There are three other tanks on the way which fill first, and this particular tank fills only if there is a surplus supply. That is why it is absolutely necessary to divert the Garanihalla channel to this tank.

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—It has been decided that the diversion is not feasible.

The FIRST MEMBER (Rajamantrapravina N. Madhava Rau).—Is not water received through the existing feeder channel?

Mr. D. SIVASANKARIAH.—It is all silted up and the supply received now is very scanty.

Mr. S. RAMAPPA.—Are Government aware that because of lack of sympathy on the part of the local officers, remissions are not being recommended?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—I cannot accept that statement.

Mr. S. RAMAPPA.—Will the Deputy Commissioner be requested to make special enquiries in regard to that particular tank and make a report whether or not remissions are called for?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—Yes.

Mr. GURUBASAPPA.—Do the rules prescribe any time-limit within which applications for remission of assessment in any year should reach Government?

Mr. B. T. KESAVAIENGAR.—Even that rule has been relaxed recently. The Amildar himself can recommend remission in deserving cases without waiting for applications at all. There is a circular issued to that effect.

Water-supply to Hiriyur Town.

Q.—51. **Messrs. B. SITARAMIAH and MAHOMED PACHA SAHEB** (Hiriyur Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether a Jewell Filter has been constructed recently for the supply of drinking water to Hiriyur Town;

(*b*) the amount of expenditure incurred for this purpose;

(*c*) the number of gallons of water that was being supplied every day before the construction of this Jewell Filter;

(*d*) the number of gallons of water that is now supplied every day;

(*e*) the population of Hiriyur Town;

(*f*) the annual expenditure incurred before;

(*g*) the expenditure now incurred;

(*h*) whether it has come to their notice that there has been an everyday complant from the people of Hiriyur Town, who are going from street to

street with vessels in hand for water on account of the failure of water supply in pipes in two or three parts of the town due to low pressure. as only half the quantity of water is let through the 4" pipe from the cement tank;

(*i*) whether the water supply cannot be improved if water is supplied through the 4" pipe in full;

(*j*) whether this trouble is due to the fact that the reservoir empties, in half an hour, the quantity of water which the engine pumps in one hour?

A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, LAW DEPARTMENT (Mr. C. Subrahmanya Aiyar).**—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Rs. 16,459.

(*c*) Not known as there was no gauge.

(*d*) About 45,000 gallons.

(*e*) 2,748 according to the census of 1931.

(*f*) Rs. 525 per annum based on the average for 3 years.

(*g*) Rs. 1,200 per annum.

(*h*) No. It is reported that the supply is quite satisfactory now.

(*i*) No need for such an arrangement.

(*j*) No.

Mr. M. SUBBIAH.—With reference to answer (*h*), who has made the report that the supply is quite satisfactory now?

Mr. C. SUBRAHMANYA AIYAR.—The Water Supply Department.

Mr. M. SUBBIAH.—Who pays for the water supplied to the town?

Mr. C. SUBRAHMANYA AIYAR.—The Municipality.

Mr. M. SUBBIAH.—If so, should not the municipality also have some voice in the distribution of water?

The SECOND MEMBER (Mr. K V. Anantaraman).—It is not possible to entrust supervision or control of water-supply to municipalities. Generally speaking, a centralised agency which can command expert advice would be the best arrangement. It can also attend to the repair of the machinery, etc., whenever necessary.

Mr. M. SUBBIAH.—But why not give control over the subordinate establishment to the municipalities concerned?

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—We shall have to consider that suggestion.

Mr. B L. BYANNA.—Has not the Bangalore City Municipality been making representations that the collecting agency and supervising authority must be the same?

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—Notice.

Lokasevaniratha Bale SIDDALINGA SETTY.—The same arrangement may be made for Krishnarajanagar Town also. As it is, we do not even get vouchers for the moneys we pay. They say the Comptroller will look to it and that the municipality has no right to ask for vouchers.

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—We shall set right that defect.

Mr. K. L. NANJAPPA NADIG.—As regards the cost of the water-supply, how much is the municipal quota and how much the Government quota?

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—We shall let you know that if you want.

Mr. B. SITARAMIAH.—The supply is not satisfactory due to low pressure. If water is pumped for one hour, the reservoir will be emptied in half an hour. Has that difficulty come to the notice of the Government?

The DIRECTOR of HEALTH (Mr. P. Parthasarathi).—There is a pipe from the channel to the settling tank. That was clogged due to silt. An estimate of cost was sent to the municipality in connection with a proposal to repair it. But they returned it with a suggestion to reduce the cost. It was not possible to reduce the cost. So, the Department promised to furnish the necessary agency for supervising the work if the municipality itself undertook the work. The matter stands at that. But even as it is, the town is getting sufficient water. The settling tank can store water sufficient for 10 days' use. It was only in connection with further improvement that was desirable that an estimate was prepared and sent.

Mr. B. SITARAMIAH.—Is not the work of repairing the settling tank in charge of the Water Supply Department?

Mr. P. PARTHASARATHI.—No, it is in charge of the Municipality itself. The Department had lent the services of a technical man for training one of the municipal employees to take charge of the work.

Mr. B. SITARAMIAH.—Has it come to notice that because of clogging in the pipe, unfiltered water is being distributed in the town?

Mr. P. PARTHASARATHI.—I have not received any information to that effect. The work of distributing water is in charge of the municipality itself.

Mr. K. VENKATARAMIAH.—Has it been in charge of the municipality ever since the work was started?

Mr. P. PARTHASARATHI.—Yes.

Mr. K. VENKATARAMIAH.—Was it not being worked for about one year by the Sanitary Engineering Department?

Mr. P. PARTHASARATHI.—Not so far as I know.

Mr. B. SITARAMIAH.—There was a proposal to erect an alum chamber. Was not an estimate prepard for it?

Mr. P. PARTHASARATHI.—The estimate prepared was for an alum chamber and for changing the pipe line. There is no need for an alum chamber here except on occasions when the water is turbid.

Mr. K. VENKATARAMIAH.—Does not the municipality need expert technical advice?

Mr. P. PARTHASARATHI.—Not very necessary. On the filter itself, instructions are noted.

Mr. B. SITARAMIAH.—Has it come to the notice of Government that as a result of supply of bad water, people are suffering from dysentery?

Mr. P. PARTHASARATHI.—It is not due to water-supply.

Mr. B. SITARAMIAH.—Has it come to notice that even the most necessary medicines like quinine are not available in the hospitals for the last two months?

The SENIOR SURGEON (Rajaseva-saktha B. K. Narayana Rao).—I visited the town 1½ months back and saw for myself that there was enough supply of all the medicines required. Subsequent to that, I have not received any indents. So I have no reason to think that supplies are wanting.

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—We shall however enquire if there is any such complaint.

Mr. B. SITARAMIAH.—A building is ready for the Maternity Ward. But medicines have not been supplied yet.

Mr. B. K. NARAYANA RAO.—For maternity wards no separate supply is made. The medicines available in the municipal dispensary are made use of there. And if any patent medicines are required in particular cases, the doctor advises the patients concerned to get them.

Mr. K. VENKATARAMIAH.—Because the dispensary is in charge of the municipality, the management is not satisfactory. Will the Government therefore arrange to transfer it to the Medical Department?

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—That is our idea also. It will be given effect to as soon as possible.

Mr. K. L. NANJAPPA NADIG.—What is the reason for suddenly raising the annual expenditure from Rs. 525 to Rs. 1,200?

Mr. P. PARTHASARATHI.—Formerly it was being worked on the gravitation principle whereas now a regular pumping system has been introduced. Hence the increase.

Mr. K. L. NANJAPPA NADIG.—Is the entire expenditure met by the municipality or by the Government?

Mr. P. PARTHASARATHI.—Entirely from municipal funds.

Devasamudra-Gudikote Road.

Q.—54. Mr. Patti BASAPPA (Molkalmuru Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) in what years was the survey of the road recently formed from Devasamudra to Gudikote, Molkalmuru Taluk, made;

(*b*) how many days ago the said work was commenced;

(*c*) the number of raiyats from whose survey numbers holdings have been taken possession of by Government